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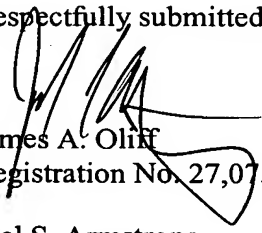
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- ☒ 2. The references 1-4 were cited in a counterpart foreign application. An English language version of the foreign search report is attached for the Examiner's information.
- ☒ 3. References JP A 11-337887 and JP A 2000-284234 were cited in the enclosed foreign search report and were submitted with the Information Disclosure Statement filed on May 6, 2004. Thus, no additional copies are enclosed.
- ☒ 4. The present application was filed or entered the U.S. National Stage of the PCT after June 30, 2003. In accordance with the June 11, 2003, Notice waiving the requirements of 37 CFR §1.98(a)(2)(i), copies of any U.S. patents and patent application publications are not attached.

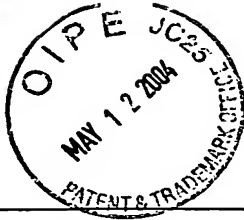
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	3.	EP 1 225 441 A2	7/24/2002	EUROPE			
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